

nate solutions to target audiences through extension activities; and

(D) to increase the economic returns to rural communities by identifying, attracting, and directing funds to high-priority agricultural issues.

(2) Additional efforts

Where practicable, the criteria for recognition as a center of excellence shall include efforts to improve teaching capacity and infrastructure at colleges and universities (including land-grant colleges and universities, cooperating forestry schools, NLGCA Institutions (as those terms are defined in section 3103 of this title), and schools of veterinary medicine).

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XVI, §1673, as added Pub. L. 113-79, title VII, §7214(a), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 886.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 5926, Pub. L. 101-624, title XVI, §1673, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3773; Pub. L. 102-237, title IV, §407(12), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1865; Pub. L. 104-127, title VIII, §837, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1169; Pub. L. 105-185, title II, §245, title III, §301(b)(2), June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 556, 563; Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, §7121, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 434, established an agricultural telecommunications program, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, §7209, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1241, and Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title VII, §7209, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2003, effective May 22, 2008.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 113-79, title VII, §7214(b), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 887, provided that: "The amendments made by subsection (a) [enacting this section] shall take effect on October 1, 2014."

§ 5927. Repealed. Pub. L. 104-127, title VIII, § 864, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1174

Section, Pub. L. 101-624, title XVI, §1674, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3775; Pub. L. 102-237, title IV, §407(13), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1865, provided for establishment of Agriculture Research Facilities Planning and Closure Study Commission.

§ 5928. Repealed. Pub. L. 105-185, title III, § 302(c), June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 563

Section, Pub. L. 101-624, title XVI, §1675, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3777; Pub. L. 102-237, title IV, §407(14), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1865; Pub. L. 104-127, title VIII, §838, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1169, related to national centers for agricultural product quality research.

§ 5929. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-79, title VII, § 7215, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 887

Section, Pub. L. 101-624, title XVI, §1676, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3779; Pub. L. 104-127, title VIII, §839, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1169, related to red meat safety research center.

§ 5930. Reservation extension agents

(a) Establishment

The Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, shall establish appropriate extension education programs on Indian reservations and tribal jurisdictions. In establishing these extension programs, the Secretary shall consult with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Intertribal Agri-

culture Council, and the Southwest Indian Agriculture Association, and shall make such inter-agency cooperative agreements or memoranda of understanding as may be necessary. The programs to be developed and delivered on reservations and within tribal jurisdictions shall be determined with the advice and counsel of reservation or tribal program advisory committees.

(b) Administration and management

Extension agents shall be employees of, and administratively responsible to, the Cooperative Extension Service of the State within which the reservation or tribal jurisdiction is located, and employment and personnel management responsibilities shall be vested with the State Cooperative Extension Service. In cases where a reservation or tribal jurisdiction is located in two or more States, the Secretary of Agriculture shall make the determination of administrative responsibility, including possible divisions along State boundaries.

(c) Advisory committees

At the request of a State Extension Director, and with the assistance of the tribal authorities, the Secretary of Agriculture may form an advisory committee to give overall policy and program advice to that State Extension Director with regard to programs conducted on reservations or within tribal jurisdictions. Program advisory committees may be formed to assist extension staff in development and conduct of program activities.

(d) Staffing

Insofar as possible, agent and specialist staff shall include individuals representative of the tribal grouping being served. Programs shall emphasize training and employment of local people in positions such as program aides, master gardeners, and volunteers. Staffing at a particular location shall be dependent on the needs and priorities of that location, as identified by the advisory committees and the State Extension Director, and the Director may make use of existing personnel and facilities as appropriate.

(e) Placing of agents

The number of offices and their placement shall be jointly determined by the State Extension Directors and tribal authorities of the respective States by taking into consideration the agricultural acreage within the boundaries of an Indian reservation or tribal jurisdiction, the soil classifications of such acreage, and the population of such reservation or tribal jurisdiction.

(f) Reduced regulatory burden

On a determination by the Secretary of Agriculture that a program carried out under this section has been satisfactorily administered for not less than 2 years, the Secretary shall implement a reduced reapplication process for the continued operation of the program in order to reduce regulatory burdens on participating university and tribal entities.

(g) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XVI, §1677, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3779; Pub. L. 102-237, title IV, §407(15),

Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1865; Pub. L. 104-127, title VIII, §840, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1170; Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, §7511(c)(23), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1269; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title VII, §7511(c)(23), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2031.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110-246, §7511(c)(23), substituted “National Institute of Food and Agriculture” for “Extension Service”.

1996—Subsecs. (f), (g). Pub. L. 104-127 added subsec. (f) and redesignated former subsec. (f) as (g).

1991—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-237, §407(15)(A), (B), substituted “reservation” for “Reservation” and “reservations” for “Reservations” wherever appearing.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102-237, §407(15)(A), substituted “reservation” for “Reservation” in two places.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-237, §407(15)(C), substituted “tribal” for “Tribal” after “assistance of the”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 102-237, §407(15)(A), substituted “reservation” for “Reservation” in two places.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

Amendment by section 7511(c)(23) of Pub. L. 110-246 effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 7511(c) of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 1522 of this title.

INDIAN SUBSISTENCE FARMING DEMONSTRATION GRANT PROGRAM

Pub. L. 102-237, title IX, subtitle C, §§931-939, Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1889, established Indian subsistence farming demonstration grant program to provide grants to any Indian tribe, or intertribal consortium, for establishment on Indian reservations of subsistence farming operations that grow fresh produce for distribution to eligible recipients, and provided for definitions, applications for assistance, training and technical assistance by Extension Service, tribal consultation, use, amount, and terms of grants, additional requirements, and authorization of appropriations through fiscal year 1995, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-127, title VIII, §874, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1175.

§§ 5931, 5932. Repealed. Pub. L. 104-127, title VIII, §§ 865, 866, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1174

Section 5931, Pub. L. 101-624, title XVI, §1678, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3780; Pub. L. 102-237, title IV, §407(16), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1865, related to special grants to study constraints on agricultural trade.

Section 5932, Pub. L. 101-624, title XVI, §1679, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3780, provided for establishment of five-year pilot project to coordinate food and nutrition education programs.

§ 5933. Assistive technology program for farmers with disabilities

(a) Special demonstration grants

(1) In general

The Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with other appropriate Federal agencies, shall make demonstration grants to support cooperative programs between State Cooperative Extension Service agencies and private

nonprofit disability organizations to provide on-the-farm agricultural education and assistance directed at accommodating disability in farm operations for individuals with disabilities who are engaged in farming and farm-related occupations and their families.

(2) Eligible services

Grants awarded under paragraph (1) may be used to support programs serving individuals with disabilities, and their families, who are engaged in farming and farm-related occupations.

(3) Eligible programs

Grants awarded under paragraph (1) may be used to initiate, expand, or sustain programs that—

(A) provide direct education and assistance to accommodate disability in farming to individuals with disabilities who engage in farming and farm-related occupations;

(B) provide on-the-farm technical advice concerning the design, fabrication, and use of agricultural and related equipment, machinery, and tools, and assist in the modification of farm worksites, operations, and living arrangements to accommodate individuals with disabilities who engage in farming, farm living and farm-related tasks;

(C) involve community and health care professionals, including Extension Service agents and others, in the early identification of farm and rural families that are in need of services related to the disability of an individual;

(D) provide specialized education programs to enhance the professional competencies of rural agricultural professionals, rehabilitation and health care providers, vocational counselors, and other providers of service to individuals with disabilities, and their families, who engage in farming or farm-related occupations; and

(E) mobilize rural volunteer resources, including peer counseling among farmers with disabilities and rural ingenuity networks promoting cost effective methods or accommodating disabilities in farming and farm-related activities.

(4) Extension Service agencies

Grants shall be awarded under this subsection directly to State Extension Service agencies to enable them to enter into contracts, on a multiyear basis, with private nonprofit community-based direct service organizations to initiate, expand, or sustain cooperative programs described under paragraphs (2) and (3).

(5) Minimum amount

A grant awarded under this subsection may not be less than \$150,000.

(6) Consideration for grants for new programs

For each fiscal year that amounts are made available for grants under this subsection, the Secretary may make grants in a manner that ensures that eligible entities who apply for grants, but have not previously received a grant under this subsection, are given full consideration.